

Finance (19547) Department.

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Dated 27.8.1947

[Despatch Abstract.]

Small Savings Scheme - Revised by the Provincial National Savings officer of monthly sales of National Savings certificates in Districts - Papers recorded.

Memorandum No.38012 W & M - 1 dated 30-6-1947.

Sub:- Small Savings Scheme - Review of
Sales of National Savings Certificates.

Read:- Memorandum No.9850 W.M.-23 dated 25th June 43.

In the Memorandum cited, the Board of Revenue was asked to review the sales of Defence Savings Certificates in this Province for each month and the weekly subscriptions for the Defence Loans for each month and to send a copy of its review to the Chairman, Provincial Defence Loans Committee, Collectors and the Government.

2. After the cessation of hostilities all the Savings and Defence Loan Schemes other than the Small Savings Scheme have been discontinued, and the only scheme now in force in the Presidency is the Small Savings Scheme. Though this scheme was started as a war-time measure, the Government of India have decided to make it a permanent peace-time feature and are taking steps to develop it. They have modified the Post Office National Savings Certificate Rules, 1944, raising the maximum limit for individual holdings to Rs.15,000 and reducing the period of non-encashability from 18 months to 12 months in the case of Certificates of the denomination of Rs.5 and from two years to 18 months in the case of certificates of higher denominations - see G.O.No.483 Finance dated 26th June 1947. In order to stimulate investments in National Savings Certificates and develop the small savings movement, instructions have also been issued to Collectors in D.O. No.26219-A.W.M.-5 dated the 16th June 1947 requesting them to assist in every way in their power in organising and maintaining Savings Groups and in doing propaganda work for the purpose in rural areas.

3. The Government consider that in order to improve the sales of National Savings Certificates in this Province, the Board of Revenue should continue to review monthly the progress of sales of National Savings Certificates in the various districts with reference to the copies of statements of sales received from the Provincial National Savings Officer. The Board of Revenue is accordingly requested to submit its monthly review of the sales of National Savings Certificates commencing from the transactions for April 1947. Copies of the record may also be sent to the Chairman, Madras National Savings Committee, the Provincial National Savings Officer and Collectors.

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Secretary to Government,
30-6-47

To the Board of Revenue.
Copy to the Provincial National Savings Officer, Madras.

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REVENUE DEPARTMENT

Subject:

Small Savings Scheme - Review of the Sales of National Savings certificates - Orders - Reconsideration of.

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MADRAS.

Ref. Z.4162/47-1

dated 26-7-47

From

C.A. Ramakrishnan Esq., I.C.S.,
Joint Secretary.

S. Ranganathan Esq., O.B.E., I.C.S., Commissioner of Land
Revenue & Commercial taxes.

Read: Memo from the Government No. Ms.38012 W&M-1 dated 30-6-47.

REFERENCE:

~~With~~ With reference to the instructions in para 3 of the Government memo cited the Board submits the following for consideration:-

2. In their D.O.No.2040 W&M-2 & 30-1-1947 the Government have laid down that no Government official should actively canvass subscriptions. Again in D.O.No.26219 AW & M-5-d/16-5-47, the Revenue Officials were required to cooperate as fully as possible with the National Savings Officers of all grades in the formation and successful working of savings groups in their respective districts but not take part in actual collection work. So the work of actually canvassing subscriptions devolves on National Savings staff only.

3. The practice of issuing reviews by the Board began from July 1943, when there were several kinds of funds towards which collections had to be made, and the work relating to them fell almost entirely on the Revenue Officials. Now all the schemes or funds, except the Small Savings Scheme have been discontinued. Further the Provincial National Savings Officer and his staff are all whole-time Government servants having to do only the Small Savings work and no other work. The Board therefore submits that the best person to review the work in the districts should be the Provincial National Savings Officer, who is a non-official, and who issues a fortnightly statement of progress of collections.

4. The Board is inclined to view that when the Collectors have no direct responsibility for making collections it would be rather inappropriate for the Board to review the collection work. The Board accordingly requests that the Government may be pleased to reconsider their orders.

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for Joint Secretary.

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The Secretary to Government,
Finance Department, Madras.

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PROVINCIAL NATIONAL SAVINGS OFFICE

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U.O.Note No.414/47-A1.

38-A, "The Natshell,"
Mount Road, Madras-6,
22nd August, 1947.

Sub:- Small Savings Scheme - Review of Sales of National Savings Certificates.

Ref:- Finance U.O.Note No.45311, W & M-1, dated 4-8-47.

I have no objection to review the progress of the sale of National Savings Certificates with reference to their monthly sales and to send the review to Finance Department. I may add that in rural parts, the Village Headmen and the authorised agents and the success of the scheme largely depends upon their whole-hearted cooperation, canvassing and investments through them. Besides, there are also several Revenue Inspectors and Tahsildars appointed as authorised agents. The non-official authorised agents are only a few in number. As the village headmen and Revenue Inspectors are under the control of the Revenue Department, Some sort of review by Collectors should seem to be necessary and helpful. My review alone will have no desired effect unless the Collectors are requested to use my review and issue necessary instructions to their subordinates. Until such time as Government of India make the organization self-reliant, the Small Savings Scheme is not likely to progress rapidly and effectively, without such help from the Collectors.

2. The Finance Department may, on my review, issue instructions wherever necessary to Collectors.

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PROVINCIAL NATIONAL SAVINGS OFFICER.

To

The Finance (Ways & Means) Department
Fort St. George, Madras-9.

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS
Finance (W & M) Department.

Memorandum No.57631 A. W&M-2, dated 6th October 1947.

Sub:- Monthly Review of Sales of National Savings
Certificates.

Ref:- From the Board of Revenue, Ref.No.Z.4162/47-1,
dated 26th July 1947.

From the Provincial National Savings Officer
No.414/47-A1, dated 22nd August 1947.

In its reference cited, the Board stated that it has inclined to the view that as collectors had no direct responsibility for making collections in respect of National Savings Certificates, it would be rather inappropriate for the Board to review the collection work and that the Provincial National Savings Officer was the proper authority to review monthly the progress of sales of National Savings Certificates in the districts. The Government agree with the Board's view. The Provincial National Savings Officer is accordingly requested to review monthly the progress of sales of National Savings Certificates, and send his review to the Government in the Finance Department with effect from the sales relating to the month of April 1947. The first review may be a consolidated one for the months of April to August 1947. The Government in the Finance Department will consider the review on the progress of sales and issue instructions to Collectors where necessary.

T.E.Veeraraghavachari,
Additional Deputy Secretary to Government,

To the Provincial National Savings officer.
To the Board of Revenue.
Copy to the Collectors.
Copy to the Revenue Department.

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From the Provincial National Savings Officer U.O.Note
No.414/47-A1 dated 22nd August 1947.

The Provincial National Savings Officer agrees to review the progress of the sale of National Savings Certificates with reference to their monthly sales and to send the review to this Department. He states that, for the reasons mentioned in his U.O.Note, his review alone will have no desired effect unless Collectors are requested to use his review and issue necessary instructions to their subordinates. As suggested in para 2 of his u.o.note, this department will, wherever necessary, pass orders on his review directing the Collectors to issue necessary instructions to their subordinates.- See also portion marked 'A' above. Necessary action will separately be taken on receipt of P.N.S.O's review each month. No further action is necessary.

The papers may be closed as a G.O.for future reference.

G.O.No.Ms.649 Finance dated 27-8-1947.

Abstract.

Review

Small Savings Scheme by the Provincial National Savings Officer of monthly sales of National Savings Certificate in district Papers recorded.

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